

SCHOOL DISTRICT PUZZLES OFFICIAL

State Supt. Doughty is Unable To Solve Government Hill Tangle.

The status of the Concordia school district as a result of the annexation of a part of Government Hill to the city is still in doubt, according to a letter received Saturday by Miss Myra Winkler, the county superintendent, from W. F. Doughty, state superintendent of education. There is a state law that no school district's boundaries can be lessened while there is an outstanding bond issue against it. There are \$45,000 in bonds outstanding against the Concordia district, a part of the Government Hill section annexed to the city.

The opponents of annexation have made the point that their schools cannot be under both city and county supervision at the same time. The reply of the state was that if it waited until the bonds were paid off, the Government Hill could not be annexed for 40 years, the length of time the bonds are to run.

State Superintendent Uncertain.
In order to see whether the Concordia district is now under city or county control, since the annexation act was passed by the city, Miss Winkler asked state superintendent Doughty for an opinion. Mr. Doughty leaves the final decision in "status quo" in his reply.

"Replying to your favor of the 14th inst. you are advised that the authority of the independent school district of El Paso to annex a part of the territory described in your letter depends entirely upon the action of the board of trustees of the El Paso independent school district. It is entirely possible that the authority to do the very thing described in your letter is given the town of El Paso in its charter."

State Law Rules Trustees.
Trustees in common school districts are bound by state law. I am not sufficiently familiar with the conditions in the district to be able to answer your second question intelligently.

"In answer to your third question, permit me to advise that the interests of the bondholders cannot be jeopardized by the change of boundary lines of a school district which has previously issued bonds. I would suggest that you take this last question under advisement with your county attorney."

"If I can be of any further service to you kindly advise me."

The Concordia schools will continue to run despite this complication unless we get instructions otherwise," said Miss Winkler. "I am now trying to devise some means of finding just the status of the district under the new annexation act."

M. A. FRASER BEGINS TRIP

In INTEREST OF EXPOSITION
Malcolm A. Fraser, secretary of the chamber of commerce, left Sunday night for a trip through Arizona and the interests of the International Farm Products exposition. Mr. Fraser lived for a number of years in Arizona and has a wide acquaintance in that state. After touring the principal cities he will join the El Paso delegation at the New Mexico state fair at Albuquerque on Thursday.

"I am going back over much of the territory which I visited on my recent vacation to the coast," Mr. Fraser said. "I found then there was a great interest in El Paso's congress and exposition in October. I expect a large delegation will attend from Arizona."

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PEOPLE PLEASE EL PASO GUESTS

Reeves Co. People Promise To Send Big Delegation To Exposition.

By GEO. H. CLEMENTS.
The people of the Pecos valley, in Texas, have every reason to attend the irrigation congress, the farm congress and the Soil Products exposition which will be held in El Paso, Oct. 14 to 24, and they will attend if they mean what they said to the El Paso delegation which went to Pecos last Friday from the Reeves county fair. It is believed they did.

In the vicinity of Pecos and Barstow, in the Pecos valley in Texas, there is nearly a half million acres of fertile land which will eventually be brought under the plow and made to produce heavily of cotton, corn, sorghum and alfalfa.

Pumps Profitably Used.
All of this vast tract is susceptible of irrigation by means of pumps from the Pecos river, even if the flood waters of that stream were all carefully conserved. These farmers, however, now grow rich on some of those lands, who are irrigating by means of pumps from the Pecos river, and the water which would make the farmers of the "black lands" of eastern Texas jealous.

Interested in El Paso Congresses.
The farmers of the Pecos valley in Texas, have a great interest in the questions which will be discussed at the irrigation congress, the farm congress, and the Soil Products exposition. Many of them have direct interest in both irrigation and in dry farming, and they will be glad to come prepared to attend both congresses, as well as to see the displays from both kinds of farming which will be made at the exposition.

Splendid Showing at Fair.
There never has been any doubt that the land in the neighborhood of Pecos or Barstow was capable of producing good crops if properly tilled and given an abundance of water, but in spite of this showing of alfalfa, cotton, sorghum, plants, including corn, and vegetables made at the Reeves county fair, the displays were direct from the field, and that is to say, had not been grown for exhibition purposes in specially prepared ground and given special attention with view toward producing abnormal growth.

The showing was that of normal growth for commercial purposes. The agricultural section of the fair was of peculiar value to those who may have visited it with intent to make a line on the character of the region.

El Pasoans Profited From Trip.
Looked at from every angle, the trip made by the El Paso delegation to Pecos last Friday, was the best trip made by an equal number of El Paso men in many a day. Those among the visitors who had never been in that portion of El Paso's trade territory before, were surprised at what they saw, and that is to say, had not been there in the past two or three years were surprised at the new degree of development, particularly in the agricultural districts along both sides of the river, in Reeves and Ward counties.

Were Well Received.
From the moment the El Pasoans were welcomed from their chambers by the delegation of Pecos business men who called at the special car which had been parked at the new depot of the Texas & Pacific railroad, till they were escorted to the same car some time after midnight, they were kept time after time, and were always being entertained.

And the entertainment was not of the perfunctory kind that sometimes has a tendency to make the recipient feel uncomfortable because he fears he is a trespasser upon the time of his entertainer.

It Came From the Heart.
There was a homeliness, using that word in its original or best sense, to the entertainment afforded by the people of Pecos that put the men being entertained in the best possible spirits, and made them feel that if given an opportunity, they would go far out of their way to do a Pecos man or woman a good turn. The opportunity will come when the Pecos people come to El Paso's great quadrangular festival Oct. 14 to 24.

There Is Money in Cotton.
While the El Pasoans were being shown over the farms in Reeves county, they were taken to the cotton plantation of R. L. McKnight, a 192-acre farm of which 140 acres are in cotton cultivation and from which will gather better than 100 bales of cotton which, with the seed, will sell for approximately \$10,000.

On Both Sides of the River.
As on the Reeves county side of the Pecos, so on the Ward county side of the same stream, cotton and alfalfa are the staple crops now being grown with here and there a farmer who has a fancy for feeding hogs, growing fruit or providing hives for honey.

C. E. Leffingwell, who manages the big "Company Farm" has, on his own account 24 acres of peaches and grapes which this year will net him a handsome income. He grows asparagus as an inter crop while waiting for the fruit to ripen, and ships asparagus by the carload. The peaches and grapes grown are of fine quality, as the El Paso men will testify.

Alfalfa Grows Well.
Alfalfa seed is one of the big money making crops grown in the Barstow district. The second or third cutting is generally permitted to go to seed and the average yield of seed, this year, was 200 pounds per acre. The seed sells, this season, at from 14 to 18 cents per pound, and at the lowest figure pays the grower \$12 an acre for that one cutting of alfalfa, while the straw, from which the seed has been threshed, brings from \$10 to \$12 a ton. In addition, the seed growers have three or four cuttings of hay and the prevailing prices are making more money than they ever did before.

Hogs Grown Extensively.
There are hog growers in the Barstow district who, in spite of the high price being paid for alfalfa hay, insist that it pays to pasture hogs in their alfalfa fields, and prove their case by showing their receipts from the Fort Worth market in which they are getting top prices for their Jersey Durcuses, which seem to be the best strain for Barstow climatic and feeding conditions.

Drainage System Works Well.
The El Paso men were much interested in the success which has attended the efforts made by the farmers and land owners of the Barstow district to reclaim thousands of acres of their best land by means of a system of drainage ditches. The lands had been overirrigated, and as a result had become waterlogged and "salted" to such a degree that nothing would grow upon them.

Six or seven years ago a drainage ditch was formed and a bond issue of \$50,000 floated. The money was spent for a system of ditches eight feet deep and 12 feet wide at the surface. Into these main ditches laterals, built by the owners of the lands to be reclaimed, were run, and the result has been that nearly every acre of the waterlogged lands has been brought back to a crop growing state.

Lesson Learned.
As said above the El Pasoans were deeply interested in this because of the necessity of growing greater crops, day for the establishment, in the valleys under the Elephant Butte irrigation project, of a similar drainage system. The lands under the Barstow

BIG FILM MAY BE MADE HERE

Scenario Writer Considers El Paso Good Location For Movie Industry.

With the idea of producing a Mexican border film drama that in magnitude will rival the famous "Birth of a Nation," C. M. Reynolds, scenario writer, is in El Paso gathering material for the preliminary work. Mr. Reynolds makes his headquarters in New York city and resides at New Rochelle, where the Thanhouser company's big plant is located.

"I am looking over the field and getting the material in shape for a spectacular production that will depict the Mexican situation and give a glimpse into the future," said Mr. Reynolds at Hotel Paso del Norte. "If the materials, and more important, the ideas, can be whipped into shape, the production of the drama has been assured. Several hundred thousand dollars will be expended on the film, but we believe the Mexican situation has assumed enough importance and interest to justify the expenditure."

Many Scenes in El Paso.
"A great many of the scenes as I have planned them will be taken here in El Paso, and it is possible that headquarters may be established here. I have visited Brownsville, Laredo, San Antonio, and from here will go to Columbus, N. M., Douglas and Nogales, Ariz. I also will take a trip to Chihuahua, Mexico."

"Of course I cannot reveal the details of the film being planned, but can only say that the horrors of the present conditions in Mexico, the possibilities of a war featuring battle scenes and a glimpse into the future will be depicted. Just what this imaginary feature of the picture will depict I am not at liberty to say."

A Real Thriller.
"However, if carried out, the film will be as thrilling as will be 'Birth of a Nation' and will convey a lesson as effective as did 'The Fall of a Nation.' The border country is ideal for picturesque films and with your wonderful light we should get some effective pictorial results. I see no reason why El Paso should not be as good a field for the film companies' plants as is Los Angeles. The one thing you lack is the ocean for 'water stuff.'"

system have been "de-alkalised," and it has been made impossible for them to be used for other lands again to be made valuable as farm lands by the over use of irrigation water. The El Pasoans believe that what has worked out so successfully at Barstow will work out equally well in the El Paso valley.

Government Aid Needed.
The men of affairs in that section are not resting on laurels. They are realizing that something should be done to conserve the flood waters of the Pecos river which annually not only go to waste, but that they rot down the bed of the stream, but they destroy much property in the form of hogsties and other structures, and washing away river banks, and many times destroy farms in proximity thereto.

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94 MASSACHUSETTS BOYS DETAILED TO CITY GUARD

Ninety four men from the fifth Massachusetts infantry were detailed to city guard Saturday. They will be stationed at the quartermaster department, the court house, the city hall, and with the various army departments. They will be on guard for a week or more.

Mrs. W. W. Strayer, wife of Col. W. W. Strayer, fifth Massachusetts infantry, is staying at the Linden hotel. Maj. O. J. Whitney, Lieut. W. R. B. Bingham, and Lieut. W. H. Oakes of the fifth Massachusetts infantry, motored to Elephant Butte Saturday. They are expected back late this evening or Tuesday morning.

By a recent act passed by the legislature of Massachusetts every enlisted man from that state will receive \$10 monthly state pay, in addition to federal pay.

The fifth Massachusetts infantry has received their water wagon. Maj. Charles T. Kale, adjutant general of the second Massachusetts brigade, and Maj. H. Campbell, of the fifth Massachusetts infantry, are on a trip to the Grand canyon in Arizona. A two months' supply of tobacco was received by company K Saturday from the Patriotic Citizens' league of Hingham, Mass.

The company K latrine, caused the company to turn out late Saturday night, when fire was discovered. The men with pails of water soon quenched the fire. Very little damage resulted from the fire.

Sergeant G. Morse of company K, received news Saturday morning that he was the father of 51-2 pound twins. Congratulations were in order all morning, and Sergeant Morse passed around cigars to the company.

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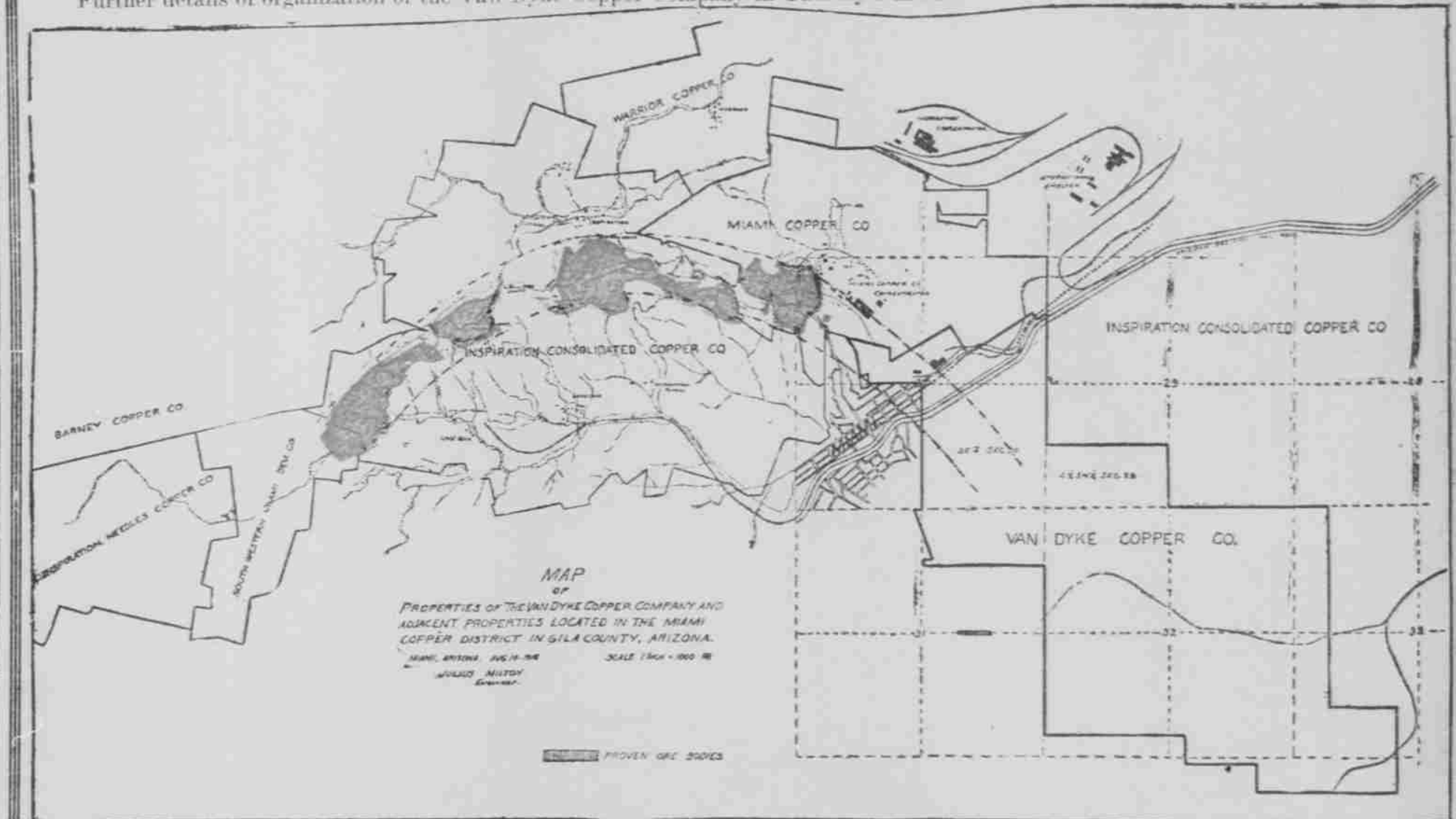
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